

# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

## VISITATION PARISH

### APRIL 23, 2023



#### OUR MISSION

Visitation, a community of communities, is committed to a way of life based on Christ's teaching and our Catholic tradition by being dedicated to lifelong conversion in faith, healing sanctuary in our sacraments and relationships, an educational environment for our children which emphasizes Catholic values and is committed to excellence, awareness and responsiveness to the needs of our neighbors and our society.

#### MASS SCHEDULE

##### Sunday Masses

Saturday..... 4:00 pm  
Sunday..... 8:00 am & 10:30 am

##### Confessions

Saturday ..... 3:00 pm

##### Weekday Masses (St. Joseph Chapel)

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.....6:45 am  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday..... 8:15 am  
Saturday..... 8:15 am

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS



## WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY

### SCHOOL OF RELIGION

#### FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSALS for S.O.R.

**Class: April 24 & May 1 during class time.** Come celebrate with the S.O.R. Community's First Communicants on May 7 at 10:30 am Mass.

### VISITATION EAGLE SCOUTS

On Sunday, April 30 at 2:00 pm, 4 Rockhurst students will have their Troop 84 Eagle Court of Honor. Scout alumni are welcomed to the Country Club Christian's Sanctuary Ceremony and subsequent reception. Roger Hoyt, Philmont General Manager, is the speaker. Congratulations Eagles!



*Pictured left to right: Leonardo Borders (VIS '21; Rockhurst HS '25), Elijah Wilson (Academy Lafayette '21; Rockhurst HS '25), Dawson Jeffers (VIS '21; Rockhurst HS '25) and Daniel Vasquez (VIS '19; Rockhurst HS '23).*

### CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is April 28 at 7:00 pm with Bishop Johnston. Candidate and sponsors are to be here and seated at 6:45pm.

**ADULT CONFIRMATION** is scheduled for June 7, 2023 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Are you a baptized adult Catholic who made your First Communion as a child but was never Confirmed in the Catholic Church? If you would like to prepare for this Sacrament, please contact Teresa Albright in the parish office at [teresa@church.visitation.org](mailto:teresa@church.visitation.org) by May 1.

### SISTER PARISH

Another medical delegation is in the works! If you are a doctor, nurse, physical therapist or any other type of practitioner, you are needed! For more information, email or call Jeph or Cherie Burroughs Scanlon at [caburroughs@hotmail.com](mailto:caburroughs@hotmail.com), [lilysdadkc@gmail.com](mailto:lilysdadkc@gmail.com), 816-786-5374 or 816-444-6346.

### OUR SYMPATHY

To Kathy Hughes on the loss of her husband, Robert; and to Ellie Knopke on the death of her husband, Richard.

### REMEMBER OUR SICK

<b>Mike McIntosh</b>	Jorge Maldonado
<b>Krystal Nemetz</b>	Scott Martens
John Anderson	Priscilla McInnes
Pamela Atherton	Tim McNamara
Maggie Quirarte Bates	Thomas McNamara
Marilyn Frechin Blank	Tricia Melland
Leonardo Borders	Birdie Mendence
Chase Brundridge	Andy Metzler
Mike Caraway	Lionel Morgan
Shari Caraway	Dede Murphy
Marianne Carl	Jennifer Olson
Beverly Cascone	Charles Oppenlander
Mary Beth Cicchetti	Nicholas Parscale
Olivia Connealy	Nicola Pistone
Jean Cummings	Kat Potter
Allie May Dudenhoeffer	Peggy Pruitt
Bill Fuss	Ruth Quirarte
Shana Gadt	Quinn Regan
Brooke Kuechler Harris	Ellie Rose
Mike Henninger	The Ryan Family
Joe Irwin	The Saalberg Family
William Jewell	Fran Schuetz
Erin Kallman	Barbara Schulte
Jaquie Kallman	Aimee Sesler
Shirley Kempker	Sandra Sharp
Marriane Kersten	Bill Stone
Kevin Koch	Special Intention
Bryan Larson	Jeannie Sullivan
Betsy Lazere	Salvador Valldeperas, Sr.
Jeanne Lendabarker	Annabelle Whalen
Anthony Lipari, Sr.	Dave Wittrock
Mary Lipari	Leigh Ann Zeller

*The parish community continues to pray for parish members and their families who are serving in the armed services: Major Philip Martin, Ft. Leavenworth, KS; Maj. Chris Oppenlander, Hill Airforce Base; Maj. Gisselle Oppenlander, Hill Airforce Base; Staff Sgt. Louis Perez, San Diego, CA.*

### FUNERAL MEAL TEAMS

**On Deck:** Team # 9

**On Alert:** Team # 1

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 25-30

**Tuesday, April 25**  
6:45 am Jerry Abbenhaus †  
8:15 am Polly Donnelly †

**Wednesday, April 26**  
6:45 am Ed Welch †  
8:15 am Kathleen Nixon †

**Thursday, April 27**  
6:45 am Rick Honan †

**Friday, April 28**  
8:15 am Mary Margaret Wilson †

**Saturday, April 29**  
8:15am Terry Lee Jones †  
4:00 pm For the People of Visitation

**Sunday, April 30**  
8:00 am Robert McBee †  
10:30 am Rick Honan †

## LITURGICAL MINISTER APRIL 29-30

	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
ALTAR SERVERS	J. Berghoff B. Burns N. Clarkson	W. Lueke C. Fanning A. Graziano	D. Britt L. Connell J. Canino
E MS	L. Waters A. Sonnenberg A. Smith K. Reichman <b>sub req</b> M. Kirwan R. Moran B. Mashburn J. Franke F. Lester	M. Thompson Amy Thompson K. Strauss Susan Miller Stephen Miller J. Miller <b>sub req</b> J. McGee M. Lising D. Devine	T. Mayer E. Connell V. Connell L. Crowe K. Esslinger A. Florez E. Florez M. Florez <b>NOT FILLED</b>
LECTOR	L. Keens	P. Fanning	J. Greene
USHERS	C. Maggiorotto W. Maggiorotto <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Ted Colburn C. Schorgl <b>NOT FILLED</b>	G. Canino J. Canino T. Ritchie
SACRISTAN	K. Berghoff	J. Reboulet	S. Mayer

### PARISH BOUNDARIES

State Line on the West to Oak St. on the East;  
47th Street on the North to Meyer Blvd on the South

**PARISH OFFICE, Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM**  
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[janet@church.visitation.org](mailto:janet@church.visitation.org)

Priest in Residence, Fr. Charles Rowe  
**BULLETIN DEADLINE Noon Monday**

### SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick by appointment  
Msgr. Offutt and Chris Sanders

Eucharist to Homebound and Hospital, Chris Sanders

Sacrament of Matrimony, Contact Chris Sanders to begin marriage preparation.

Sacrament of Confirmation, Youth Chris Sanders

Sacrament of Infant Baptism, Adult Confirmation and Sacraments of Initiation, *For those who wish to become Catholic.* Teresa Albright

### PARISH COUNCIL 2022-23

Bill Dunn	Ryan Larson
Dave Ekerdt	John Legg
Jim Erlacker	Msgr. Brad Offutt, Pastor
Mary Gigliotti	Christy Spadafore
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Victim Assistance Coordinator,  
Whitney True-Francis 816-392-0011



## FINANCIAL

March Contribution Income exceeded the budget by \$12,571 or 4.7%. This month's excess in contributions have reduced the year-to-date shortfall in contribution income to \$23,044 or 0.7% of budget.

Other Income, which includes Ministries, Program Fees, Miscellaneous one-time donations, School Tuition, Registration Fees and Before/After Care Fees exceeded the budget by \$1,689, due largely to the increase in the interest rate paid on our funds on deposit with the Diocese.

Parish expenses, however, were over budget by \$28,487, largely as a result of higher utilities and ice and snow removal costs incurred during the winter weather in February. This cost overrun offset the positive variance in Operating Income, leaving Parish Net Income under budget by \$13,709 for the month.

The positive variance in March

Contributions reduced the negative

variance in year-to-date contribution income to \$23,044 or 0.7%, while Other Income exceeded budget for the year-to-date by \$41,054. This further offset the negative variance in Contributions and left Total Parish Operating Income at \$18,009 over budget. Parish Operating Expenses for the year-to-date, however, exceeded budget by \$33,755, or 0.9%, driven primarily by higher than anticipated utilities and a variety of unbudgeted facility and maintenance expenditures in both church and school. Adding these expense overages to the contribution excess produced a negative variance in Parish Net Income of only \$15,745 for year-to-date. Please note that Extraordinary Income, which includes Capital Improvement Fund donations, memorials, wills and bequests are not reflected in our normal operating results, and have generated a surplus of over \$303,264 so far this year which will offset the negative variance in Net Operating Income for the fiscal year.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Isaac Uzcanga, Business Manager

### Month of March 2023

	Actual	Budget	Difference
<b>Contribution Income</b>	\$ 280,253	\$ 267,682	\$ 12,571
<b>Other Income</b>	\$ 15,105	\$ 12,898	\$ 2,207
<b>Total Operating Income</b>	\$ 295,359	\$ 280,581	\$ 14,778
<b>Operating Expense</b>	\$ 441,629	\$ 413,142	\$ (28,487)
<b>Net</b>	\$ (146,271)	\$ (132,562)	\$ (13,709)

### Fiscal YTD (July-March)

	Actual	Budget	Difference
<b>Contribution Income</b>	\$ 3,441,702	\$ 3,464,746	\$ (23,044)
<b>Other Income</b>	\$ 1,012,812	\$ 971,758	\$ 41,054
<b>Total Operating Income</b>	\$ 4,454,514	\$ 4,436,505	\$ 18,009
<b>Operating Expense</b>	\$ 3,966,353	\$ 3,932,598	\$ (33,755)
<b>Net</b>	\$ 488,161	\$ 503,906	\$ (15,745)

### Fiscal YTD This Year Fiscal YTD Last Year

	This Year	Last Year	Difference
<b>Contribution Income</b>	\$ 3,441,702	\$ 3,544,179	\$ (102,477)
<b>Other Income</b>	\$ 1,012,812	\$ 884,646	\$ 128,166
<b>Total Operating Income</b>	\$ 4,454,514	\$ 4,428,825	\$ 25,689
<b>Operating Expense</b>	\$ 3,966,353	\$ 3,887,778	\$ (78,575)
<b>Net</b>	\$ 488,161	\$ 541,047	\$ (52,886)

## BAPTISM

### BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

Visitation offers a Baptism Preparation class for new parents six times a year. The next class will be **Saturday, April 29 from 9:00 am-11:00 am in the church narthex**. We will prayerfully walk through the Rite of Baptism and learn about its ancient and rich sacramental symbols.

- New parents are required to complete Baptism preparation prior to their child's baptism.
- All are welcome! Parents who want a "refresher," or godparents wishing to deepen their understanding of Baptism, are encouraged to attend the class.
- To learn more, contact Teresa Albright at 816-753-5155 x1306 or [teresa@church.visitation.org](mailto:teresa@church.visitation.org)

## SOCIAL CONCERNS

### WELCOME MEMBERS OF OUR SISTER PARISH!



**WHEN: SATURDAY MAY 13 AT 5:00 PM**

**WHERE: TIGHE HALL**

**COST: FREE WILL OFFERING**

Please plan to join us to welcome Padre Louis, of Santa Maria Madre de los Pobres and Wendy, the Director of the Medical Clinic, on *May 13 after the 4:00 pm Mass for a Spaghetti Dinner.*

Also, please look for the Madre Minute highlighting both of our friends over the next two weeks! Thank

you in advance for helping us warmly welcome our guests!



### COMMUNITY GARDEN

The first plantings of the season are lettuce, collard greens, cabbage and broccoli! All of these healthy vegetables will be shared with people in need. Thank you to our community gardeners for the work and planning. If you are interested in being part of the garden team, please contact Kelly Rawlings at [KellyMRawlings@gmail.com](mailto:KellyMRawlings@gmail.com) or Alison Dudley at [AlisonDudleyKC@gmail.com](mailto:AlisonDudleyKC@gmail.com).

### VISITATION GREEN TEAM

Visitation is forming a "Green Team." The Green Team involves our parish in exciting events and programs about the environment and caring for our common home, the earth.

Topics and involvement include:

- Climate change
- Earth Day
- Protecting endangered species and natural wonders of the environment
- Protecting oceans and waterways
- Recycling reusable materials
- Avoiding practices of waste
- Making connections between the environment and social justice



Pope Francis has connected the Catholic Church to these major challenges of our lifetime with his letter to the world on "Care for Our Common Home," and followed up his letter with a major worldwide action program.

Catholics and Christians are finding new depths of meaning in continuing creation, revelation, Christmas, Easter and living out our lives on this earth, our common home.

Are you interested in learning more, as you have heard about some of these events? Have you been sympathetic or proud when you see young persons like Greta Thunberg, advocating to make the environment safe for future generations?

If you would like to know more about the Vis Green Team as it develops, without any obligation, drop an email with your name, email address and phone number, and if you will, a word about the nature of your interest to:

- Karen Miller at [karen@church.visitation.org](mailto:karen@church.visitation.org)
- Larry Guillot at [guillotlawrence@gmail.com](mailto:guillotlawrence@gmail.com)

## RACIAL JUSTICE



Mindful of the U.S. Bishops' statement that "love compels each of us to resist racism courageously," we join with other compassionate citizens in praying for Ralph Yarl and his family as we await and watch for the arm of justice to lead the way in addressing this heartbreaking and tragic event.

On April 13, members of Visitation and St. Monica parishes met to continue the Conversations exchange that the parishes have shared for the last several months.

Bishop Johnston accepted the group's invitation and attended the meeting to listen and to answer questions that were created at the January Conversations meeting.

As evening's end, participants were asked to submit answers to this question: *As we look ahead, what issues regarding racism and our faith are important to you and your family?*

These are some of the themes that the question elicited: Participants want to hear our bishop and priests speak out about issues of racial injustice in our communities. There was an oft repeated suggestion that the diocese invest in and offer more Diversity, Equity and Inclusion training throughout the diocese—from the Chancery to the parish and school employees. Participants supported the need to teach accurate history in our schools. The group suggested as well that the diocese lead the way in offering and encouraging recognition and celebration of Black History Month (February) and Black Catholic History Month (November).

The next Conversations gathering is scheduled to be at Visitation on Thursday, September 14, 2023

## VISITATION ATHLETIC COMMITTEE



## VOCATION COMMITTEE

### WELCOME SISTERS!

Please join our local Serra Club and our Visitation parish vocation committee in welcoming a large group of religious sisters from our area to our **4:00 pm Mass on Saturday, May 6** and for Jack Stack BBQ in Tighe Hall afterwards. We have the privilege of hosting and celebrating these women religious from many orders on both sides of the state line for the second year in a row and thanking them for their sacred contributions to the church over the years through their various charisms. Feel free to migrate downstairs after Mass to mingle with the sisters. There may be Jack Stack BBQ for you as well, after the sisters are served.



## PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN



### APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH

You may have noticed the Pinwheel Garden in front of the office and in front of the school. Members of our 7th grade class placed the pinwheels to create the Pinwheel Garden. Pinwheels are a symbol of child abuse prevention. They symbolize a happy, healthy childhood. These gardens can help remind ourselves and the community about our commitment to preventing child abuse.



### PLAN AHEAD—REGISTER FOR PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN 4.0 WORKSHOP ON MONDAY, JUNE 5 FROM 6:30 - 9:30 PM IN TIGHE HALL.

*Don't wait until life gets crazy right before school starts to take care of these requirements. There is a lot to do if you want to volunteer at the school or the parish. This includes helping with lunches, being a room mom or dad, volunteering with school of religion or Vacation Bible School - this list goes on. Please see below:*

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph **REQUIRES** all parish and school employees and volunteers who work with children (school and childcare volunteers, coaches chaperones, SOR teachers, youth ministers, sacristans and Confirmation leaders) to take this workshop, register for a background check, sign an Ethics and Integrity in Ministry statement, take an on-line Mandated Reporter course and sign and Mandated reporter acknowledgement. If you plan to volunteer with children in the parish or the school, please complete these requirements. Register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). Click on registration, then select the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, MO. You may expect to spend 2 hours completing this process. If you have any questions, please call Janet Ridder at 816-381-6910.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse: 1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816-812-2500 or [crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org) if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816-392-0011 or [true.francis@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

## SCHOOL



FRIDAY 3P - 7P | SATURDAY 9A - 5P  
SUNDAY 9A - 1P

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*Spring Fling - Faith & Fellowship*

**MONDAY, MAY 8 9:00 AM TIGHE HALL**

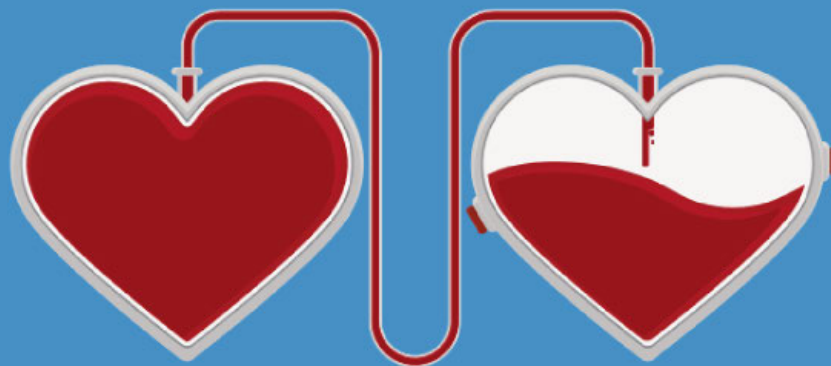
Join us for a tasty brunch in Tighe Hall at 9:00 am. Following  
brunch, we will move upstairs for an informative presentation  
on our beautiful church by Steve Engler & Nancy Schorgl.

RSVP to 816-753-7422.





## BLOOD DRIVE



# BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, May 4  
12:00-5:00 pm  
Tighe Hall

Book your appointment today at  
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Code: VH. For additional details  
contact Megan Burdolski at (816)  
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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JULY 17-20, 2023

1:00-4:00 PM

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! CLICK THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP!

VBS IS FOR CHILDREN AGES 4-10. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT OUR VBS CO-DIRECTORS:

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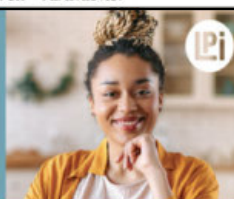
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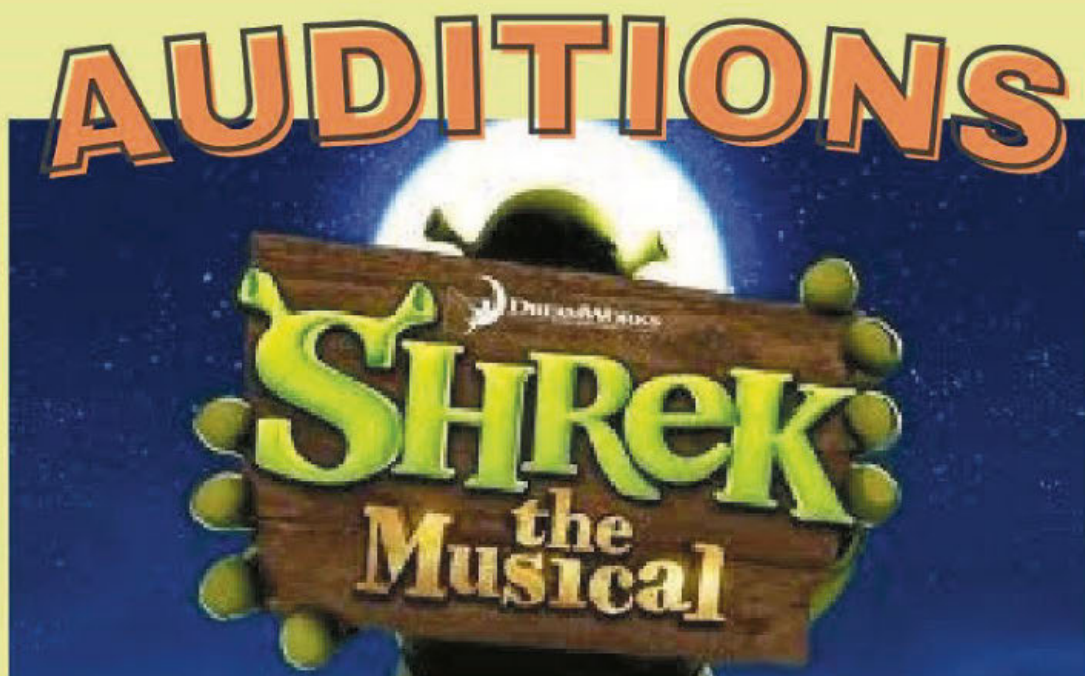
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